educational institutions that certain steps have to be taken with regard to instruction in Hindi based on the recommendations of the Alagappa Chettiar Committee's Report?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Instruction in Hindi has nothing to do with the Alagappa Chettiar Committee's Report. It is an independent matter on which we have to take a decision, and even with regard to that, we have not yet taken a final decision.

Payment of salaries to Government and Local Boards' employees

* 3051 *Q.*—SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state, whether the recent order issued by the Government in regard to the payment of salaries to employees of Government and Local Boards before the celebration of Onam in Malabar applies also to the aided elementary school teachers in Malabar?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : No, Sir.

SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR : May I know why this discrimination is made against aided elementary school teachers, while those whose salaries are paid directly by the Government are paid before the Onam celebration?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : No discrimination has been made. Aided elementary school teachers are not Government servants, while the others are Government servants. Only the mode of payment to Government servants has been altered.

SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR : Is it not a fact that the Government give grants and that the aided elementary school teachers are paid on the basis of the grants?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : I do agree. But whatever is applicable to Government servants cannot be made applicable to aided elementary school teachers who are not governed by the Government Servants' Conduct Rules. If we take a decision that aided elementary schools also should be taken over by the Government, then the teachers employed therein will become Government servants. But there is bound to be some difference till we take such a decision.

Geological survey

* 3052 *Q.*—SRI K. P. GOPALAN (on behalf of Sri M. Kalyanasundaram) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) when the Government propose to start a State-wide geological survey; and

(*b*) whether any special administrative machinery has been set up for the purpose?